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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ford Foundations International Fellowship Programme has offered fellowships to Indian Students;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the criteria for selection of students for fellowship; and

(d) the number of students so far benefited by such programme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per information available with the Government, the Ford Foundation International Fellowships Programme (IFP) between in India in the year 2001. The criteria for selection include social disadvantage, academic viability, leadership and social commitment. The Programme offers 35-42 fellowships in India every year, which are fully funded. The Government of India have no role in the selection of candidates.

(d) So far, 115 Indian candidates have been selected by the program in various universities all over the world.